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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1901.

#### JOHN MARSHALL DAY.

The John Marshall celebration in Sichmond yesterday was a most tratifying success from every point of view. The gathering at the Academy of Music in the afternoon and the banquet at the Jefferson at night were occasions to be proud of, occasions to be remembered. Truly may it be said. that in honoring John Marshall we have honored ourselves, and it must be a good thing to have the thoughts of the people of Virginia thus turned to the life and work of the most distinguished jurist the country ever produced.

Mr. Justice Gray's address was, of course, the feature of the celebration, and It did honor to himself and to the occasion. It was, in the main, historical and, as was to be expected, it dealt targely with Marshall's characteristics as lawyer and judge, with the eminent decisions that he rendered and their effect. The address showed labor and research In every line, and a profound knowledge of John Marshall's work and the great cases that he decided. The distinguished speaker has evidently read everything on the subject that has come within his reach. The address, therefore, is a valuable contribution to the literature of the country, and will be preserved in book form as a standard work and as an aushall celebration had done nothing more than bring forth this address, it had not

It was good also to have drawn out Mr. Justice Gray's estimate of Chief Justice Marshall, "Marshall," said be "was a great statesman, as well as a great lawyer, and yet constantly observed the distinction between law, as judicially administered, and statesmanship. The Constitution of the United States created a nation upon the foundation of a written constitution; and as expounded by Marshall, transferred in large degree the determination of the constitutionality of the acts of the legislative or executive from the political to the judicial department. · · · During the thirty-four years of his chief justiceship he expounded the Constitution, in almost every aspect, with unexampled sagacity, courage and caution. He had an intuitive perception of the real issue of the case, however complicated, and of the way in which it should be decided. His manner of reason ing was peculiarly judicial. It was simple, direct, clear, strong, earnest, logical. comprehensive, demonstrative, starting from admitted premises, frankly meeting every difficulty, pressing the case in wery possible aspect and leading to philasophical conclusions, sound in theory and practical effect. He recognized that, sext to a right decision, it was important hat reasons for the decision should be fully stated so as to satisfy the parties and the public."

And at the conclusion of his address he said:

"Brethren of the Bar of the Old Dominion; Fellow-citizens of the United States; "To whatsover professional duty or pub-

the teaching of John Marshall." simplicity and its sincerity. There was they used him for their profit, little caring no attempt to eulogize John Marshall, what the effect would be on the poor The one purpose of the speaker was to negro. "Eliminate the negro from polibring before his audience and impress ties," says Mr. Lane, "and you eliminate them with it, the great wor which this the only cause for prejudice against him treat man accomplished. Murshall's That is a broad statement but it is it career was a eulogy in itself, and that the main true. The white man is natur was the prominent thought in the address. In averse to associating with the negr There is a man for every emergency-call and he will not tole ate any such thin at man of destiny if you please-and as as social equality. But for all that the surely as George Washington was cho-en Southern whites, who are accustomed to to be America's liberator, just so somely the negroes, feel kindly toward them and was John Marshall chosen to be the ex- are disposed to give them a helping hand

DAVID E. HILL.

The Albany correspondent of Leslie's the presidential nomination, that he is ever attempts have been made in the not responsible for the action of his South to force the negro into office, when friends and will in no way encourage or designing white men have marshalled the respondent adds that Mr. Hill is en- whites have invariably resented and relarger and more lucrative each year, and been stirred, and in the event of a clash that his intention now is to keep out of the black man has invariably gotten the politics and to devote himself entirely to | worst of it. his profession.

for making such a statement we do not South makes this frank and open stateknow, but in any event we attach very ment to a Republican newspaper at the little importance to it. Mr. Hill declined North, and the Northern Republicans are the nomination for the Vice-Presidency blind, indeed, if they do not see the situaat the Kansas City Convention, although tion through the eyes of their Southern every effort was made to get him to ac- brother. The negro has been a heavy load cept it. He may have meant by this to for the Republican party to carry, and say that he was out of politics and was the scheme to employ him for the purpose not a candidate for office. But if the of giving the Republican party control in Democratic nomination for the Presi- the South has miscarried in every indency is offered to him in 1904, and we hope and believe that it will be, be sure he will accept it. Whenever the Democracy of this country calls upon any citi- | Fifteenth Amendment was, to use a very zen to run for the Presidency, that citizen is going to obey the call. Mr. Hill is a good Democrat, we think one of the very best Democrats in the whole country, and if the party asks him to run, he will "bow to the will of the majority."

If David B. Hill is alive and in good health we expect to see him nominated by the Democratic party for the Presidency, and if nominated we expect to see him triumphantly elected. We are glad that Mr. Hill has a good law practice and we hope that he will be as busy as he wants to be and that his practice will continue to grow. But at the proper time we want to see him lay down his practice and go into the White House and preside for a term of four years and for another term of four years over the destinies of this nation.

### A DISGUSTING PIECE OF RUDE-NESS

Cities and counties the world over have united to do honor to the memory of Paris and throughout France tell how national jealousy and racial antipathy is interest lies in the originality of any arlost to view when all with one accord would show respect to the gentle lady whose womanly virtues have held in loving allegiance not only her own subjects but the world for over a half century.

The expressions of sympathy which have come from the Dutch of South Africa and from the cities of Russia are very striking and impressive testimony to the universal esteem and affection which this venerable sovereign has commanded.

In this well nigh world-wide expression greatest of American cities. The refusal of Mayor Van Wyck, of New York, to allow the flag over the City Hall of that city to be placed at half-mast was a disgusting piece of rudeness designed to please the Irish vote. And yet the native courtesy of the Irish is so well known as to be almost proverbial.

The Beer and the Frenchman and the Russian at a time like this can forget the | ously iil, he refused to remit the fine, restruggles of the past and the antipathies I marking, "A doctor's first duty is to of the present in gracious and courtly the Commonwealth, and it is better that expression of the sorrow and sympathy which all the world feels, but not the demagogue and vote-seeker of an American city. With him all occasions, whether of joy or sorrow, are to be enlisted to subserve one end and one purpose.

The fair name of the first city of Ameria has received a stain through the action of its chief executive.

## A REPUBLICAN'S VIEW.

The New York Tribune of Sunday prints a number of communications from correspondents in various Southern States on the race problem. Among others, we find as a farsecing statesman who early who was the Republican nomince for Governor in the State of Alabama during the recent campaign. Although a Republican, Mr. Lane says that he is in favor of the disfranchisement of the negro, and Governor in the State of Alabama during

My reasons for so doing are obvious. In the first place, after an experiment of more than a third of a century he cannot. as a rule, protect his ballot; he can neither withstand bricery nor resist force. He has to be eternally watched, and a irtue which always needs goarding is not worth the sentinel. The negro is but a pringboard, from which a horde of dirty Republican patronage seekers spr.ng into Federal jobs. He is the victim of the bal-lot-box stuffer—the club with which Democrats break Republican heads.

The negro counties are the Democratic counties; the white the Republican. Where two races exist in one locality the principle of race preservation will st muare each. The white race will dominate will use any method necessary to accom plish that end, from a shorgun to a 2 by ballot. Eliminate the negro from politics and you eliminate the only cause for pre-judice against him. Had it not been that ballot-box stuffing rendered h m easily controlled there would not have been many live negroes in the South to-day. The negro is the baling and tles which holds the white vote c mpact. The same cause produces like effect on the same class of business men and extends from Maine to Texas. Our business men are for McKinley, but were forced by a d'sreputable Republican Ica ership. upon an ignorant negro vote, to vote for Bryan. In other words, gentlemen will not follow the lead of the Republican ple distributors of Alabama.

The poor negro-he who means well-is the innocent keystone which keeps up this arch of political di-graces. The protective tariff and sound money sentiment of Ala bama is sufficient to-day to ma'e this : Republican State, provided the negro could not be counted,

This communication from a Republican lic office we may, any of us, be called we to a Republican newspaper: at the North can find, in the long line of em nent judges is worthy of attention and ought to bring with whom Almighty Providence has the Northern people to serious reflection blessed our race, no higher in piration, no There is no sort of doubt that the ensurer guide, than in the example and in franchisement of the negro after the war was a curse to the black man. He was The charm of this address was in its made the tool of designing white men and

largely of their means towards the educa-

tion of the black man's children, and they are not jealous of the black man's Weekly says that he has the highest au- success in life. They give him employthority for the statement that Senator ment, and when he is in business for Hill is not a cardidate in any sense for himself they patronize him. But whencountenance any such action. The cor- blacks against the whites at the polls, the grossed in his law practice, which grows sisted, bad blood between the races has

We say that it is interesting and signifi-What authority this correspondent has cant that a white Republican in the stance. The Republican party will never be countenanced in the South so long as it relies upon the vote of the blacks. The mild term, a stupendous blunder, and the best thing that could happen to the Republican party in the South would be to have that amendment repealed.

### CURRENT TOPICS.

An innovation in latter day journalism, or more properly speaking a return to the old ways, is noticeable in the recent issues of the Richmond Times. Instead of "pilfering" the news from its ex changes, as is universally done these days, The Times is making news extracts from them and in each instance gives credit. No exchange is too insignificant to be notived by The Times if it contains any news worth reproducing.

This return to the old ways will do much to renew the interest once taken in the news of the different sections by giving the preper credit to the author and is also a return to the proper treatment of one's exchanges. There is too much of this pilfering going on amongst newspapers and many things are palmed Queen Victoria. Flags at half-mast in off on the readers as original which have been copied from some exchange. The ticle, and this feature of The Times will not fail to be appreciated Leth by its readers and its exchanges from which it makes extracts.-Biackstone Courier.

It is the greatest mistake in the world not to give full credit to articles reproduced. Sometimes the very significance of the article is in the paper from which it is taken. The Times is not sensitive on this subject and we are much flattered when contemporaries take editorial exas their own. But a newspaper loses of sorrow there has been one discordant | rather than gains by failing to render note, and it has come from the first and unto Caesar the tribute that belongs to

> Judge Whitbank, of Philadelphia, fined a physician on Thursday who was a witnesses in a case on trial for being half an hour late, and although it was explained that the delay of the physician was due to his atttendance on a patient who was dangera patient should die than that the Commonwealth should be treated with con-

The judge may be right, but we will wager that if he will go before the people on that platform he'll be beaten out of his

The New York Tribune pays the folowing tribute to Chief Justice Marshall; The purely legal aspects of Chief Justice Marshall's great career are subjects for tributes from the bar, and many will be paid to-day. The layman is concerned rather with his statesmanship, and it is grasped the grand idea of American nationality, and had both the courage and the moderation to make it effective in L. .. uttonal interpreter or subject ed it to overthrow by ill judged attempts to settle political questions. He estab-lished the Supreme Court in its unique position as the effective guardian of the Constitution at the same time that he es hed the positical power in all politthe American Nation.

## Beillian Soci I Event, (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

ASHLAND, VA., February 4.-A very large reception was given Saturday night from 8 to 11 o'clock at the home of President Starr, in honor of the sevent oth anniversary of the founding of Randolph-Micon College. It was by far the most brilliant social event of the season in Ashland and was attended by the entire student body and all others connected

rith the college.

During the evening Misses Jordan and Blackwell rendered several instrumental selections, and Miss Blincoe sang. Re-freshments were served in the dining-room where azaleus and ferns were used with

The guesis were received in the brilliantly-lighted drawing-room by Dr. and r. assisted by Bishop and Mrs. and the members of the faculty with their wives.

Messrs, R. E. McCabe and J. C. Copen-

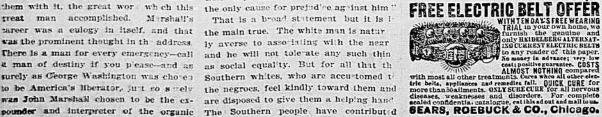
haver were also in the receiving party.

To Atte d the Ward Gras. Messrs. Joseph Mannoni, of Farmville and R. Francioni, of Richmond, will leave at 9 o'clock this morning for a trip around the country, landing in New Or-leans in time to take in the Mardi Gras.

Meeting Adjourned. The meeting of the stockholders of the Virginia Electrical Railway and Devel-opment Company, which was called for vesterday, has been postponed until this

orning at 10 o'clock. Neilson Encampment, No. 2, I. O. O. F., will meet at Monroe Hall to-night. Much important work will be done and a supper

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# WILL DO BUSINESS AGAIN TO-DAY

Convention Matter to be Argued in Legislature.

WILL RUN FOR JUDGE.

Speaker Saunders Expected to Aunounce His Candidacy To-Night, Another Swanson Letter-Live Legislative Notes.

There was no session of the Legislature esterday, a recess having Leen takin i order that the members might participate

in the Marshall Day celebration.

The Constistitutional Convention matter will be under consideration in both branches to-day. The Senate will meet at noon and the House at 10 o clock A. M. Neither branch will hold any after noon session. A great many of the members have come in from their homes where they went to spend Sunday, and a rather full attendance is expected. Hon. R. S. Parks, of Page, was recognized by the chair just before the adjournment of the House on Saturday in order that he might have the floor when the special order came up at 11 o'clock to-day, and he is expected to make a powerful argument in favor of his proposition to apportion the delegates by senatorial districts, giv-

ing two to each. Captain Parks said last night that he had made a very careful study of the question, and would have some statistics to submit to the House which would sur-prise the members on the subject of local representation. He said he would be able to demonstrate to those who are contending for the House basis that his plan would put the delegates equally close to the people and that his plan had many advantages over the other.
Other strong leaders will follow Captain Parks to-day, and it is like y that

both Houses will reach a vote on the pro position in a few days

Prominent leaders in both branches expressed the belief yesterday that the extra session would end within the next ten days. They say the hardest proposition in connection with the Constitutional Convention matter is that in relation to the number of delegates and their apportionment, and these are under consideration by both bodies now. They believe the convention matter will be put in shape for a conference committee of the two branches by the last of this week, and that by the middle of next week the matter will be finally disposed of, when the session will adjourn sine die. There is no prospect of any general legslation being considered, and all the lo cal bills desired will probably be passed by the time the convention matter is dis-posed of, as a part of each day's session in both branches is given to their consid-

Speaker Saunders, who has gone home to attend his County Court, is expected back to-night, when it is thought he will formally announce his candidacy for judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, to succeed Judge Stafford G. Whittle, who tendered his resignation to Governor Tyler on yes-terday in order to accept the judge hip of the Storeme Court, to which he has just been chosen. In anticipation of the an nouncement, the Speaker's friends are al ready at work for him, and say he will

The friends of Judge W. R. Barksdale The friends of Judge W. R. Barksade are very netive in his interest and express the belief that he has a good pance to win. The caucus for the settlement of this and the Essex county judgest in for which there are several aspirants, will be called as soon as the vacaney neth Ty cecurs in the circuit judgest in, and in headings are that they will be disposed of this week. Following is a copy of a letter issued by Congress man. Swinson to his friends of a different series from those that have already been printed.

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House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C.

My Deer Sir.-I have decided to become a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Virginia next year, and rm writing to some of my friends to enlist their active aid in the furtherance of this ambition. I have al-ways regarded you as one of my warm and loyal friends and feel sure that you will rid me actively in this matter. From assurance of support already re-ceived from all parts of the State, I am

satisfied that I will win the nomination. I am warmly supported by the most influential and successiui public men ver Virginia, including the two United States Senators and seven of It ginia Representatives in Congress

You may rest assured that if I am elected Governor, you will have in that high and important position a warm persona friend, who will at all times be glad to

Whenever I can aid you in any way command me. With kind regards and best wishes I

CLAUDE A. SWANSON.

Hon. John W. Price, of Eristol, will of-fer in the House to-day a bill upon the ecommendation contained in a essage from Governor Tyler, which he will submit to the House during the morning hour, to authorize the fixing of the line between Virginia and Tennessee in the city of Bristol. The message and bill will call for an appropriation of \$5,000 to have the old line of 1892 re-run in accord-ance with a recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on the subject. The Tennessee Legislature has already made her part of the appropriation and passed a bill similar to that of Mr. Price, n which that State agrees that the of Main Street in the city of Bristol shall be the line. The action of the two State Legislatures will finen be recommended for confirmation by the United States Con-gress, by Representatives Rhea, of Virginia, and Brownlow, of Tennessee. Mr believes his bill will be promptly passed by both Houses.

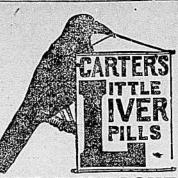
There is no truer saying than that "polities makes strange bed-fellows." This was clearly demonstrated in the recent great struggle for Judge of the Supreme Court of Appeals. Men who are known to have no political love for Congressman Swanson trained close to him in the in-terest of Judge Whittle, and conferred with him as confidentially as though they were his closest political supporters.

The Congressman says he was seated by a member of the caucus during one of the sessions, and the latter excitedly exclaimed: "Swanson, you know I hate you po

litically, and you have no love for me; but I um going to stand by you in this fight." same was true of the camps of other aspirants, where men who were almost political enemies caucused and sulted with each other as dreely as if they had been life-long friends.

The House Committee on Roads will The House Committee on Roads will meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, to consider the bill offered by Mr. Donohoe, of Hampton, to require the street-car companies operating between Newport News and Old Point to provide separate coaches for white and colored passengers. Amendments will probably be offered by Mr. Jones, of Henrico, so say to make the measure apply to the Richmond and Seven measure apply to the Richmond and Seven Pines line.

The friends of Judge Archer A. Phlegar, of Montgomery, are anxiou. for him to stand for the Constitutional Convention from his section. They argue that there



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is no man in Virginia who is better equipped, by reason of his great ability as a lawyer, for the intricate work which will come before the body, and say he can win hands down if he will agree to stand for the convention.

It is not known whether Judge Fhlegar would care to be in the convention or not, but from the talk which is going on. he will be a member of the body if he will consent to come.

Hon, A. L. Warthen, the popular young

member of the House of Delegates from Clarke and Warren, will, at the close of the extra session of the Legislature, make his home in New York, having already accepted a very lucrative busines position in that city. Mr. Warthen is fine business man and is one of the mopopular of the House members. serving his first term in that body and is Commissioner of the Revenue for his county. His friends in the Legislature, as well as from his home section, will be sorry to lose him from their midst.

It is learned of good authority that Congressman-elect Hal D Flood, of the Tenth District, has selected as his private secretary Hon. J. R. Horsley, member of the House of Delegates from Appomattox and Campbell. Mr. Horsley is admirably itted for the duties of the position, and a most courteous and affable gentleman. - He has been confined to his room for several days and unable to attend to his official duties, but hopes to be ou shortly. His many friends will be glad to learn of his selection to such a lucrative position.

The friends of Judge W. R. Barksdale of the County Court of Halifax, are making an industrious canvass in his favor for judge of the Fourth Judicial circuit, to succeed Judge S. G. Whittle. who has just been elected to the Supreme

ties of Halifax, Campbell, Pittsylvania Patrick, Henry and Franklin and the cities of Lynchburg and Danville, Judge Barksdale's friends claim the fol-

lowing bar endorsements for their fa-vorite: Halifax and Campbell, solid; Lynchburg practically solid, and a majority of the members of the bars of Pittsylvania and the city of Danville. They say they are much encouraged at the outlook for Judge Barksdale's success.

Captain R. S. Parks, the genial House member from Page, who takes great interest in young men, had a number of college students from his section of the State to dine with him at the Hotel Lexington Sunday. There were had a dezen young men in the party, and they and Captain Parks enjoyed the occasion

Judge R E. Prentis of Vansemend who was a prominent candidate for the Judge ship of the Supreme Court, made vacant by the death of the late John W. Riely was at the Capitol resterday, and was warmly greated by his friends. He came up to attend the Marshall-day celebra-

James B. Casey, of Norfolk, president of the Virginia State Federation of Labor, and of the Unionist Publishing Company. of Nerfolk, is expected to reach the city this week. Mr. Casey comes to work in the Legislature in the interest of four measures endorsed by organized labor throughout the State.

Mes. rs. Boaz, Bowles, and Pollock, the House committee to devise a system of greater safety in the handling of public funds, together with Senator Lupton, called at the office of Auditor Maryo yesterday and had an informal talk along the lines of the work which the committee proposes to proceed.

Mr. Otho F. Mears, Commonwealth's Attorney of Northampton county, is it the city to attend the Marshall-day cele-bration. He called yesterday on his re-presentatives in the House and Senate and conferred with them upon matters

Sergeant-at-Arms Watkins, of the Senate, will be a candidate for sergeant-at-arms of the Constitutional Convention, and, while the members of that body will not be chosen before next May, he believes he stands a good chance for the place, as his political friends are giving him many ussurances of their assistance.

Judge Whittle, while in the city, is stor ping at Murphy's. He is very democratic in his manner, and mixes free'y with the public men in the lobby every night. He has made a great many friends during his

Sonators Johnston, of Rockbridge, and Keczell, of Rockbridge, are two of the beaviest weights who ever sat in the Sen of the together. They were standing in Murphy's lobby last night in conversation, and their size was the subject of no little

Hon. Jacob C. Gent, who is one of the most successful klayers in the House, is devoted to his southwestern country, which he believes is the finest on earth. In discussing the merits of Russell county which he so very ably represents, he said last night that it contained one farm from which 2,500 export cattle were shipped to Liverpool each year.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

MANGOHICK, VA., Feb. 4.—The funeral services of Hon. A. T. Mooklar took place yesterday at 2 P. M. at Corinth Church, King William county, and inter-ment was made in the cemetery at the

Citizens from Hanover, King and Quee and Caroline countles besides the citizens from all parts of King William attended. from all parts of King William attended. The services were very impressive and few dry eyes were in the church. The pall-bearers were as follows: Active, E.M. Davenport, L. N. Blake, L. W. Moren, Dr. W. A. Mitchell, Charles F. Woody and Chastine Tuck, James Campbell and P. C. Campbell; bonorary, George D. and Chastine Tuck, James Campbell and R. C. Campbell: honorary, George D. Powell, R. S. Ryland, A. J. Slater, A. Se'zer, Thomas Powell, George D. Haw, Colonel J. C. Johnson and A. J. Leftwich, The services were conducted by Rev. I. L. Chestnut, of Ashland, Va., pastor of the church, ass'sted by Rev. J. T. T.

Dr. W. A. Gills, of the ambulance spending several days in Washington, C. During his absence Dr. Paul Kernan will fill his place.

# THE OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH

Baptist Ministers Adopt Report of Special Committee.

ACCORD WITH DR. HAWTHORNE.

The Installation of Rev. W. S. Leake in Fuston-Church Named in Honor of Marshall-Dr. Thomson at Blion-Sunday Services.

The Baptist ministers of Richmond, at their meeting yesterday, formally adopted the report of the committee appointed a week ago to voice the sentiments of the Conference with reterence to the utter-ances of the Rev. Dr. Edward Thomson, of the Sunday Observance League of or the Sunday Observance League of America. The report expresses views in harmony with those of Dr. J. B. Haw-thorne presented some time ago. The paper, which was quite a lengthy one, was drawn up by Dr. R. H. Pitt,

one, was drawn up by Dr. R. H. Trit, chairman, and was signed by the other members of the committee as follows: Revs. T. S. Dunaway, D. D., J. B. Hawthorne, D. D., J. B. Hutson, D. D., and M. Ashby Jones. It entered into a full treatment of the subject, and upon request of the Conference will be printed in full in the forthcoming issue of the Re-ligious Herald. After a lively discussion yesterday morning, without one dissent-ing opinion, however, the report was unanimously adopted.

unanimously adopted.

It is, in part, as follows:

"We, the Baptist Ministers' Conference
of Richmond and vicinity, cordially sympathize with the purposes of the Sunday
Observance League of Richmond as those
purposes are set forth in the constitution
of the League. We, therefore, deplore
the fact that certain reported and apparently repeated utterances of one who parently repeated utterances of one who has recently been addressing the Rich-mond public as the avowed representa-tive of the League, under their auspices, should make it necessary for us to state somewhat formally our dissent from the views he seems to be promulgating.

"We feel constrained to put on record our cordial and steadfast belief that the State has no right to legislate concerning Sunday as a holy day or religious day, and that when the civil arm is invoked for the protection of that day it must not be on the ground that the day is a Christian institution, but on the ground that certain physical and economic laws. which have been disclosed by the expe-rience of mankind under cessation from rience of mankind under cessation from ordinary labor necessary one day in seven, and it falls in with the convenience of the public for obvious reasons to fix the first day in the week as that period. If the State is to protect the day as a religious day, an institution of Christian religion, then why limit legislation to the mere matter of cessation from ordinary labor? labor? A CHRISTIAN NATION.

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"We are a Christian nation, in the sense that the great majority of our people are either actively or nominally sympathetic with come form of the Christian religion; we are not a Christian nation in the sense that we have a right to impose by law distinctively Christian duties upon others. The ethical principles which Christianity presents in their most complete form, and which are reflected to a gratifying degree in our laws, are not true because degree in our laws, are not true because they are by Christ and His inspired fol-lowers, and they would have been true if He had never taught them. They are eternally and unchangeably true. For this reason, and not because Christ taught

them, are they wrought in our laws."

The paper then went into a lengthy discussion of the question, quoting from Madison, Jefferson, and others.

With reference to the statement that the courts had decided against this ab-

solute separation of church and State, the paper goes on to say:

"We are told that the courts have decided against it. "As a fact, the decisions of the courts have varied touching this." as they have concerning all other questions, but the tendency of the decision has been toward the full recognition of the principle. And, if we were careful to quote human authorities, it might be said in answer to any decision that looked said in answer to any decision that looked in other directions, that Congress has in recent years had the whole question of the relation of the State to religion exhaustively debated, with the result that by an overwhelming majority appropriations to sectarian schools in Indian Territory have been abandoned, and on the distinct ground that these appropriations were in support of religion. But as Baptists maintained this principle when courts, Legislatures and popular opinion were all against it, it would be strange were all against it, it would be strange indeed if an occasional court decision, seemingly out of sympathy with it, should break their allegiance. It goes without saying that courts and Legislatures have frequently invaded this principle and perverted the doctrine of separation of church and State. Some of the customs and traditions which prevailed in the and traditions which prevailed in the days of the establishment still linger amongst us. They are not of great importance, but we hope to see the day when every trace of the old and hateful tyranny has disappeared.

For the reasons here set forth we feel constrained to give this expression of our iews on this vitally important matter. Dr. Thomson's Meetings.

Dr. Thomson addressed a big n meeting at the Bijou Theatre Sunda ternoon held under the Lague. President Sunday Observance League. President James D. Crump presided, and fine music termoon held under the auspices of th James D. Crump presided, and the music was renedered by the Second Baptist Church choir. Dr. Thomson emphasized the need for closing saloons on Sunday

Dr. Thomson spoke at the Second Baptist Church at night. Dr. Thomson was heard by a large congregation last night at the Church of the Covenant. He warned his auditors against indifference in the matter of Sun-day observance. When asked about the action of the Baptist preachers, he said he did not propose to speak specifically of the matter till he could see a copy of the action. Condemning anything or any person on hearsay is what he could not do. He speaks to-night at 8:15 in St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Not s About Sure y Services. The welcome service to Rev. W. S. Leake Sanday afternoon at Fulton Bap-tist Church was largely attended and full of interest. The music was bright and the addresses cordial and interesting. The new pastor and his wife were ten-dered a social last night by the ladies of

the church. Rev. Harry Minnick will preach his last Sermon at Marshall-Street Christian Church next Sunday. Rev. Dr. C. P. Williamson will take charge March 1st as

temporary pastor.
The Rev. J. C. Nelms, of Vanceburg. Ky., preached Sunday morning and night at the Third Christian Church. Mr. Neims came to Richmond at the request of the committee appointed to select a pastor, and his sermons yesterday were trials committee will hold a meeting tonight, at which time the matter will come up for discussion. The church will proba-bly take some action in the matter next

Sunday.
Rev. J. T. Mastin, financial agent of the Methodist Orphanage, preached Sun-orning at Denny-Street Methodist Church. A collection was taken and a goodly sun realized. The \$20,000 expected to be raised in Richmond is now in sight, and Mr. Mastin will leave within the next

and Mr. Mastin will leave within the next week for other points.

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